SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 512 By Jackson

A RESOLUTION to recognize Phil Buckner on the occasion of his retirement.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should honor those Tennesseans who have performed with uncommon devotion and enthusiasm throughout their years of industry; and

WHEREAS, Phil Buckner is certainly one such estimable person who is most deserving of the special commendation of this body; and

WHEREAS, Phil Buckner has served with confirmed integrity for thirty-two years as the manager of the Dickson Farmers Co-op, providing invaluable services and products to Tennessee's farmers and producers; and

WHEREAS, a native of Dickson, Phil Buckner attended Montgomery Central High School and graduated from Austin Peay State University, where he majored in both biology and agriculture; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Buckner joined the Tennessee Farmers Cooperative training program upon graduation and worked in several cooperatives, including McNairy County and Manchester, before returning home to Dickson to manage the 1,700 member Dickson Farmers Co-op; and

WHEREAS, Phil Buckner is a valued member of the Dickson County Board of Education and is an active and important part of his community and profession; and

WHEREAS, this outstanding gentleman, with the love and companionship of his wife, Sandy, and their three sons and six grandchildren, exemplifies the spirit and devotion to family and community that is characteristic of a true Tennessean; and

WHEREAS, throughout his thirty-two years of dedicated service to the Dickson Farmers Co-op, Mr. Buckner demonstrated the utmost professionalism, ability, and integrity, winning the unbridled respect and admiration of all the farmers he so tirelessly served; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that Phil Buckner should be specially recognized for his life of purpose and commitment; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we extend to Phil Buckner our heartfelt wishes for a happy and fulfilling retirement and every continued success in his future endeavors, even as we pay tribute to his exemplary career with the Dickson Farmers Co-op.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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